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OPINION LETTER NO. 92-2012

The Honorable Robin Carnahan Missouri Secretary of State James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Carnahan:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated January 27, 2012, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Jewell Patek regarding a proposed constitutional amendment to amend Article III of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to restrict the legislature's authority to set a minimum or maximum annual percentage rate on loans by allowing borrowers and lenders to agree, without any limits, on the cost of borrowing money?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours.

CHRIS KOSTER

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